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MRS. VICTOR ELBERT BANTON
the former Miss Rhonda Lynn Mitchell

Wed In Double Ring Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Rhonda Lynn Mitchell to Victor Elbert Banton took place at 7:30 o'clock the evening of December 14 in Mount Comfort United Methodist Church in Appomattox.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maymond L. Mitchell of Appomattox and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mason E. Banton of Appomattox.

The Rev. Leon A. Lawrence, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father.

Miss Kathryn Ann Mitchell of Appomattox was his sister's maid of honor. Attendants were Miss Julie Lee Moore of Appomattox and Miss Karen Sue Moore of Concord.

Mr. Banton was his son's best man. Ushers were Gregg Martin of Appomattox, cousin of the groom, Randy Foster of Concord, H. W. Ranson of Courtland, Va. and William Perrow of Appomattox.

Miss Sarah Taylor Mitchell of Appomattox, cousin of the bride, was flower girl and Jeffrey Robert O'Brien, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer.

A program of wedding music was provided by Miss Sandra Chambers, organist, and Miss Pamela Chenault, vocalist, both of Appomattox.

Mrs. Raymond F. Jamerson of Appomattox was Mistress of Ceremonies. The church and reception hall was decorated by Mrs. Raymond Jamerson assisted by Mrs. Robert Hubbard of Appomattox. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell entertained with a reception in the church fellowship hall.

The bride and groom are both seniors at Appomattox County High School. After a wedding trip, the couple will live in Appomattox.

Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. David L. Harris of Appomattox announce the birth of a son, Joseph David, 8 lbs., born December 14th, at the Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Ford of Appomattox.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. Wallace Harris, of Appomattox.

Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Don Edward Conner of Concord announce the birth of a son, Jason Witt, born November 15, at Virginia Baptist Hospital. Mrs. Conner is the former Deborah Kay Tomlin of Big Island.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James L. Tomlin, Jr. of Big Island. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. (Sam) Conner of Appomattox.

Maternal great - grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burford of Naola and Mrs. Edward Larkin Harvey of Appomattox. Paternal great - grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James L. Tomlin of Big Island.

To Celebrate 50th Anniv.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Edel Martin of Spout Spring will be honored with a reception Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 4 o'clock, December 29, 1974 in Spout Spring Baptist Church in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hosts for the party will be their children, Harold Martin, Eugene Martin, and Richard Martin of Spout Spring, Mrs. Alice Johnson of North Carolina, Mrs. Lucy Patterson of Appomattox and Mrs. Peggy Wright of Madison Heights, Virginia.

Mrs. Martin is the former Irene Cyrus and the marriage took place December 31, 1924 in the parsonage of Rev. Burnette.

Although no invitations have been issued relatives and friends are expected to attend the reception.

To Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. L. Watt Marston will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on December 29, 1974 in the social hall at Providence Baptist Church in Red House.

Friends are invited to attend. Please omit gifts.

Family Dinner Party

The approaching holiday motif was carried out in every detail Saturday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Grover E. Smith were hosts at a dinner party in their home. The guests were Mr. Smith's brother and sisters and their spouses, descendents of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. Holmes Smith.

Those enjoying this party were Mr. and Mrs. H. Burnette Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Reynolds of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood L. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. "Dutch" Jamerson and Mr. and Mrs. E. N. "Skeeter" Fuller all of Appomattox.

This is annual event with the hosts rotating.

Society News

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Mr. and Mrs. Ken Coleman, of Lexington, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kruer of Arlington, Virginia was the week end guest of her mother, Mrs. Irvin C. Moses.

Dinner guest in the home of Mrs. Irvin C. Moses were Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Garrett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby C. Garrett and son, Jeff, and Bill Elliott of Lynchburg. Other guests in the home were Miss Lillian Love, Mrs. Agnes Wilkerson and Miss Susie P. Carter of Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan and son, Bill, spent Sunday in Farmville with Mr. and Mrs. Mel Coleman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ferguson and children, Kim and Jay, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Ferguson and sons, Sam III, and David, spent Sunday in Richmond where they visited their aunts, Mrs. Aileen Musgrove and Miss Blah Morton.

Mrs. Joel D. Carnefix returned to her home this week from Virginia Baptist Hospital where she recently underwent major surgery.

Mrs. Ella S. Anderson remains in the Lynchburg General Hospital recovering from a broken hip injury suffered when she fell ten days ago. Her condition is reported to be satisfactory.

J. Lloyd Hudson spent several days this wise, head of Clarksville where he visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vaughan and Helen Lee were dinner guests Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan and son, Bill.

Joanna Maiden Circle Entertained Rescue Squad

Members of the Joanna Maiden Circle, Liberty Baptist Church, were hostesses on Saturday evening when they entertained members and their wives/husbands of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad with a delicious Christmas dinner served at the Squad Building.

Sorry, no picture of the "lovely" cooks but the photographer had to leave to answer an emergency call. Business before pleasure in cases involving work of the volunteers of this organization.

"Singing Christmas Tree"

The Choir and Christian Fellowship Class of Trinity United Methodist Church, Concord, will present a "Singing Christmas Tree" on Sunday, December 22, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. at the church. You are invited to attend.

Evergreen Baptist Sets Christmas Program

The public is cordially invited to attend "Tidings O'er the Hilltops", a Christmas story in word and song, on Monday night, Dec. 23rd, at 7:30 at Evergreen Baptist Church.

There will be a fellowship hour immediately following the presentation in the fellowship hall of the church. Please come and bring a friend.

To Present Live Nativity Scene

The youth department of Evergreen Baptist Church will present a live nativity scene on December 21st from 6: to 7: p.m. Won't you drive by and join us in celebrating the joyous birth of our Lord.

The fellow who can't figure out what to do with a Sunday afternoon is often the same one who can't wait for retirement.

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Announce Engagement

MISS TERESA INEZ AUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Massie of Amherst, formerly of Appomattox, announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Inez Austin to Ronny Lee Eagle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Eagle of Spout Spring.

A senior at Amherst High School, Miss Austin is a granddaughter of Robert L. Austin of Lynchburg.

Mr. Eagle is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and is employed at Limitorque in Lynchburg.

A summer wedding is being planned.

Pi Gamma Nu Inducts Mrs. Riffe

Mrs. Virginia Gordon Riffe was inducted into Pi Gamma Mu at Longwood College on Tues., Dec. 3rd. Pi Gamma Mu is the National Social Science Honor Society which requires a 3.0 average in the Social Sciences and a 2.5 overall average.

Mrs. Riffe is currently a senior at Longwood College and will graduate in May with majors in both American and European history. She is also a member of the Institute of Southern Culture at Longwood.

Luck is what enabled others to get where they are. Talent is what enabled us to get where we are.

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Christmas Service At First Baptist

A Christmas candlelight service, "Tidings of Great Joy and Peace, Angels" is being given by the First Baptist Church Sunday School Sun., Dec. 5 p.m.

Several community singers and choirs have been asked to participate in the program.

The public is invited.

Merry Christmas

Joint Christmas Buffet

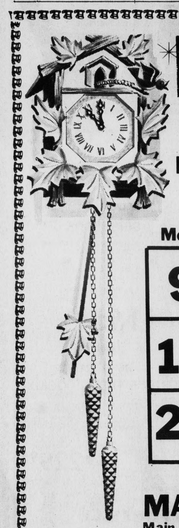
On December 12, the officers of the Future Homemakers of America and the officers of the Future Business Leaders of America joined together to hold their first buffet banquet. The session was called to order by Carla Varner, FHA President. The welcome was then delivered by Sheila Franklin, FBLA President and Carla. A poem extending Christmas wishes was presented by Joan Wright, FBLA Chaplain. Robin Tomlin, FHA Chaplain then read the scripture and both brought forth the blessing. Upon completion of the dinner, programs were presented by the clubs which consisted of a comical skit by Cindy Guill and Kaye Chenault. A story entitled the "Jesus of Christmas" was read by Sheila. To add a meaningful touch to the evening gifts were exchanged.

Christmas Play S. Spring Baptist Church

The Spout Spring Baptist Church will have its annual Christmas play Sunday, Dec. 22, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Mrs. Edwin Eugene Martin, play director, and Mrs. Hazel Mayberry is in charge of art work.

Everyone is invited to attend.



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A. Smith, Extension Agent, presented Adult 4-H Awards of Recognition to Mrs. Alease Cobb, Mrs. Anne Coffey, Mrs. Sadie Brightwell (left to right). Plaques were given in part by National Auto Parts of Appomattox.

Shirley Walton, Extension Agent, awards the Foley Manufacturing Company Foods & Nutrition Award to Cynthia Hix.

Special Recognition Plaques were awarded to Mrs. Sadie Brightwell, Mrs. Anne Coffey, and Mrs. Alease Cobb for their contributions to 4-H as Adult Volunteer Leaders. The awards were sponsored in part by National Auto Parts of Appomattox. Jeanne's Steak House also provided a certificate for a steak dinner to the three award winners. Mr. J. A. Smith, Extension Agent, presented the Adult Leader Plaques.

Farm Bureau Awards Presented

ROANOKE, Dec. 10 - The Virginia Farm Bureau Federation presented its highest award to two recipients at its 49th state convention here tonight.

Edar Fisher, Jr., director of the Virginia Council on Health and Medical Care, and the Animal Science Department of VPI&SU, were presented the Farm Bureau's Distinguished Service Award.

VFBF President Robert B. Delano presented the coveted awards at the farm organization's annual awards banquet. This is the first time that two such awards have been presented in the same year.

Delano said the award was presented to Fisher for his "driving spirit and dedication to service to upgrade the availability of medical service and health care services to rural and urban citizens in Virginia."

Dr. Milton B. Wise, head of the Animal Science Department, accepted the award for VPI&SU. The department, according to Delano, received the award for its outstanding achievements in education, research and extension activities.

Delano noted that the Animal Science Department has shown strong leadership in recent years when livestock volume has increased in Virginia. In 1940, there were 52,000 beef cows in Virginia, and today there are 600,000 head.

As director of the Virginia Council on Health and Medical Care, Fisher has shown outstanding results in physician and dentist referral services. This service brings communities looking for physicians or dentists together with doctors looking for opportunities.

Fisher has also worked with Farm Bureau in its rural health program promoting health careers, and sponsoring nutrition and health forums.

In presenting the award to the Animal Science Department, Delano said the VFBF Board of Directors wished to recognize the outstanding contribution made to not only the livestock industry, but also to the Virginia economy.

Previous individual winners of this award are: the late Del. Thomas Frost of Warrenton; Roy D. Davis of Halifax; Ben R. Iacy III of Front Royal; Clifford E. Wood of Nelson County; former state Senator D. Wood row Bird of Bland County and former Congressman Watkins M. Abbitt.

The previous organization winner was the Virginia Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

Awards Program Held

FFA 4-H Award Program held last Thursday in the ACHS cafeteria. A special dish banquet dinner was given by the 30 award and their families who The 4-H Awards is designed to recognize members for their ing accomplishments projects, activities, and participation in

awards in the areas were: **Achievement:** Pam Moore, Mary Donna Paulette and Patrick; **Agricultural:** Lochorne; **Automotive** Mary Parris; Mary Macintosh, Dorene **Clothing:** Mary Pam Moore; **Conservation Natural Resources:** Richardson, Dawn **Drummer Education:** Coffey, Mary Dyess, Chenault, Lisa Moore; Pam Watkins; Jayne Doss, Dawn **Electric:** David Caldwell Cobb, Philip Ja- **Food-Nutrition:** Angie Cheryl Walton; **Food** Susan Campbell; Lisa Moore; **Forestry:** Martin; **Home Environment** Fergusson, Alicia **Leadership:** Pam Moore, **Public Speaking:** Tamara Nash, Billy Washburn, Jr.; **Swine:** David Robinson, Patty Harris, Pam Shrock; **Veterinary Science:** Robert Dyess; **Citizenship:** Mary Parris; **Dress Revue:** Paula Franklin; and **Recreation:** 'Al Johnson.

A special award to an outstanding Senior boy and girl 4-H member was donated by the American Youth Foundation. The awards, consisting of a book written by William H. Danforth entitled "I Dare You", were presented to Mary Louise Parris and Mike Hancock. The award recognized outstanding traits of leadership and citizenship. These awards were presented by Extension Agents C. B. Goldman and F. H. Sweet.

Mrs. Shirley W. Walton, Extension Agent, presented a special Foods and Nutrition Award donated by the Foley Manufacturing Company to Cynthia Hix. The award consisted of approximately $25.00 worth of houseware.

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Homemakers In Training

County Extension Homemakers are show with Carey Carson who conducted a Leader Training Program Tuesday at the Extension Office. With Carson are, from left, Mrs. Katie Martin, Oakville; Mrs. Helen Routan, Stonewall; Mrs. Grace Williams, Pamplin; Mrs. Ada Lucado, Pamplin; Mrs. Frannie Schampol, Lee; Mrs. Charlotte Jennings, Country Lane and Mrs. Louise Roach, Rocks.

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Auto Belt System

RICHMOND - Although a standard lap belts and shoulder harnesses are required by Virginia law to pass Motor Vehicle Inspection, ignition interlock systems, warning lights and warning buzzers, formerly required by the U. S. Department of Transportation, are not, and have never been required to pass inspection, Colonel H. W. Burgess, Supt. of State Police announced today.

Colonel Burgess said the Department of Transportation no longer requires interlock systems to be installed in motor vehicles at the time of manufacture. This action resulted from an act of Congress directing the Department to discontinue requiring the systems after February 25, 1975. The Department reacted by declaring the non-requirement immediate.

Colonel Burgess was emphatic in calling attention to the fact Virginia law requires that all conventional belts and harnesses must pass inspection as to belt condition, buckle condition and attachment.

In addition, Virginia law requires inspection of belts and harnesses installed in connection with interlock and warning systems, even though inspection is not required to extend to such systems.

Capital Comments

by Dan Daniel

FIFTH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON- On Friday, December 6, we held workshops in Amelia, Lunenburg, and Nottoway Counties, and I also had an opportunity to meet with people from other area. The workshops were well-attended and, as is consistently the case, it was a pleasure to talk with the people, although "pleasure" is scarcely the word to associate with the topics discussed. The Four F's led the list- Food, Fuel, Fertilizer and Finances - the first three rising faster than the fourth being the primary problem.

Another consistency with our workshops was the revelation of yet another area where the Federal government - as usual, because of action by the Congress - has devised a new way to frustrate the citizen. This time, it is the Family Education and Privacy Act, offered by Senator Buckley as an amendment to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and usually identified as the Buckley Amendment.

The intent is good. In entirely too many cases, information in a student's school files has been made available to government agencies, prospective employers, and hosts of others, while the same information could not be obtained by the student or parents. Sometimes such information was inaccurate, and there was no way for it to be known, let alone corrected, by those most directly concerned. Implementation does not appear to be a problem in the lower grades, in any event, no problems have been reported. But at the high school and college level it is creating havoc, complicated by the fact that an 18-year-old enjoys the privilege of adulthood, and thereby becomes the person with access to the files. At least one college to my personal knowledge has informed parents they will no longer receive information on grades, notices of academic probation, suspension, deans listing, or withdrawal from college. One parent has been told that even if his daughter were injured the family would not be notified for fear of violating federal law. Still other problems derive from the fact that the student now has access to information furnished on a confidential basis by others - letters of recommendation and parents' financial reports to name two sorts. Adding to the headaches, the provision went into effect on November 19, yet regulations have not been provided by HEW, and as of right now the Department cannot tell you when they will be made available. A lot of this trouble could have been avoided, if the bill had been given full hearings by a Committee. Potential problems areas could have been identified, and the language drafted in a manner to avoid them. This was not done, and untold time and money will be expended on implementation. It will remain for the 94th Congress to hold hearings and amend the amendment, and this is anticipated early in the year.

The Mayor of Kenbridge recommended a procedure which could save localities in Virginia thousands of dollars. He suggests the required testing for water quality standards ordered by the government be performed by the Community Colleges. These institutions have the necessary laboratory equipment, and can meet this need while also training technicians. We have passed this on to he Community College and Water Control Boards, and are hopeful it can be adopted. There are possibly other areas where local governments can make use of these schools as they search for ways to trim the budget. As a former member of the General Assembly I was a strong supporter of our Community College system, and am proud of the work they are doing.

In the waning days of this Congress a number of bills are being passed which are ill-thought-out and can be extremely costly. They are a reaction - or perhaps over - reaction to our sagging economy. One can be extremely inflationary, since it will pour money we are going to have to borrow into essentially non-productive make - work projects, which could add to your tax burden. Admittedly, a 6-5 percent unemployment rate is bad; if you are among those out of work, you are 100 percent unemployed. And certainly most people would rather work at a productive job with a hope of a future than on a short-term WPA-type job. But this is not 1934, and with public works, unemployment payments, and welfare programs expanding at their present rate we are breeding a depression psychology the effects of which can extend far beyond the present problem. At a time when the economy was booming, there remained a group who managed to manipulate the programs intended for those in real need. Energy and intellect which could have been applied to gainful employment was utilized instead to obtain government checks. Regularly I am told of those who plan their lives aorund various welfare programs, of households where no man is in sight except at the first of the month, of employees who figure exactly how much they can work and still retain their benefits. If these things have been done when times were good, what potential for mischief are we writing into law with panic legislation?

Very soon now, it will be my responsibility to vote on the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller to the office of Vice-President. Regardless of any personal opinion, I will vote on the basis of majority sentiment in the Fifth District. I again solicit the opinion of every reader, so that the largest possible number can be tabulated.

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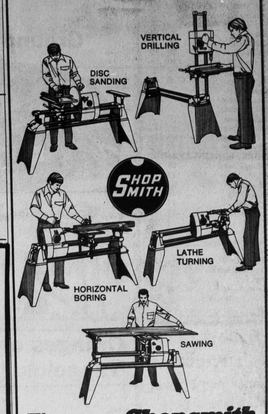

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